



Sunday
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2018

The Uniting Church in Australia

Chermside Kedron Community Church

*'Transforming our world through the power of God,
experiencing and sharing God's love for all people'*



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**A
Very
Warm
Welcome
to
everyone
today**

Christ the King Sunday

Asking the Right Questions

One of the first things we learn to do is to ask questions, and that is important. But perhaps even more, it is important to ask the *right* questions if we want a helpful answer! "Are you the King of the Jews?", Pilate wanted to know. What Jesus' accusers had in mind was radically different from everything Jesus sought to do. The Kingdom of God is not about political power and control, but about hearts and minds, about value systems of care. We should beware "Pilate error" – the danger of asking the wrong questions!



I suspect that Jesus was never comfortable with the title "king", probably because of the images it conjured up in the minds of people – images of a powerful, privileged ruler with servants to do his bidding and more wealth than he would know what to do with. In other words, as various songs remind us, Jesus is the Servant King – the un-king if you like. One important question is what that might mean for us.

There is more than one way to answer that question; one way certainly is with reference to the Christmas Bowl; this picks up on one of the basic elements of the Reign of Christ, namely a concern for others. If we can picture Frank Byatt's image of a bowl at the centre of the family Christmas meal, we have a vision of sharing, inclusion and caring. Faith might begin within an individual, but it inevitably involves community. At its heart, this is a larger image of family than we often have. Act for Peace involves the family of the Church sharing together in compassionate and generous care through the Christmas Bowl, enabling us all to demonstrate the values of Jesus, and the Kingdom of God.



Clive W Ayre

Weekly Service Times

**Sunday • 9 am
In the auditorium**

**BIBLE READINGS
Today**

Zephaniah 3:14-20, Isaiah 12:2-6
Philippians 4:4-7, Luke 3:7-18

Next Week

Micah 5:2-5a, Luke 1:47-55
Hebrews 10:5-10, Luke 1:39-45, (46-55)

**Chatters Coffee Shop
Ph. 3350 4345**

Open Monday to Friday
9am—3.00pm

**Grapples Thrift Shop
Ph. 3350 3183**

Open Monday to Thursday 9am-2.30pm
Friday 8am-2.30pm
Saturday 9am-12.30pm

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We warmly welcome everyone today, especially any who may be visiting with us. We hope that you may be able to stay for morning tea with us following our 9.00 am service. One of our welcomers or stewards would be happy to provide any other information you may like to know.

Brochures outlining all our activities and groups are available in the foyer.



3rd WEEK OF ADVENT

Today we light the

Candle of Joy

As the message comes to the shepherds

TODAY CAROLS IN THE Paddock



FREE

Sausage Sizzle
at 6pm
CAROLS at 7pm



Bring your family & friends and celebrate the season, Dress up if you like and get into the spirit of Christmas.

2019

Dates for next year

Office re-opens - Monday 14th January

First Newsheet - will be Sunday 20th January

Sunday School restarts - 4th February

Commissioning Service - 10th February

"Understanding Children's spirituality" workshop - 10th February afternoon

Thank you *Re: Christmas Markets*

It was a concerted effort from quite a lot of people over quite a long time preparing stuff for sale, organising lists in the office, preparing the floats and doing the banking and serving the customers.

We had 2 large CKCC tables and 15 other stalls and the bookstall in the church - a tight fit, you'll agree.

Our takings over three days

\$ 1 049.85

plus \$ 470 from stallholders and a commission from Koorong.

Thank you for whatever you did to contribute to this result.

Pauline

Pop - up *Christmas Cards*

Back by special request

ON SALE TODAY IN THE FOYER

\$5 each or 5 for \$20

Message of Thanks

We gratefully thank all our Church Family for your prayers and kind words at this very sad time for us.

from

Cyril and Karen Flowers & family



Please continue to keep them in your prayers



Christmas Appeal

CKCC participating in the Target UnitingCare Christmas Appeal

It's wonderful to be able to help others especially at this time of the year. Spreading the *JOY*



MESSAGE FROM TREASURER

This week I will be working on a budget in consultation with Finance team, for presentation to Church Council and the Congregation at the AGM in March.

If any groups have particular budget needs for consideration for 2019, could you please let me know as soon as possible.

Kendall Yates, Treasurer (yateskj@gmail.com)



CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

Craigslea Chaplaincy is diving in amongst the competition.

Our ID is **C10081292**. So.....

- save your containers
- take them to a collection point
- don't take a cash refund, but quote our Craigslea Chaplaincy ID C10081292
- and that's it—you've helped support the Craigslea chaplains

Thank you!!!!



TO ALL LEADERS OF GROUPS & MINISTRIES

It's time to think about annual reports before we forget what we did in 2018.

Please send in the questionnaire that's on its way to you as soon as possible plus photos if you have any.

Shirley, congregational secretary

WHAT'S ON AT CKCC

December & January 2019
(usual 9am services)
But sorry NO 11am services



TODAY

Carols in the Paddock

With **FREE** sausage sizzle **6pm**
Carols commence **7pm**

Dec 23rd

Service of Solace 7pm

Followed by supper
For those who are sad at Christmas

Dec 24th

Christmas Eve

Service **7pm**

Dec 25th

Christmas Day

two services
7am & 8.30am



Sunday School Children & Youth

taking part in our services leading up to Christmas

“Congratulations to Kathy and the staff and volunteers of **Chatters Coffee Shop!**

Total donations to the Congregation funds this year amounted to **\$41,250.**

A wonderful effort.”

Dates

Closed Thurs 20th Dec'18

Re-Open Mon 21st Jan'19

Craigslea High Chaplaincy 2019



Jason Krienke is moving on from his chaplain position, after 7 and a half years. He and his family are moving back to Toowoomba.

Applications have been called, and it is hoped to interview applicants in the second week of school in 2019.

Please pray that God will place in this school a person who is able to relate to all members of the Craigslea community, be a life role model, and a mentor to students as they search for values and meaning in life.

VIDEO OF WEEKLY 9 am SERVICES

Please note that 9am services of worship are normally filmed for distribution to members of our congregation who are unable to attend in person. DVDs are available on request for this purpose.

23rd December ROSTER

If you are unable to do your rostered day. Please arrange a swap and ring/email the office so rosters can be updated.

9am Service	
Bible Readers Shellie Norton & Child/Youth	NO 11am Services in December
Prayers Minister	
Children's story Minister	
Musicians Margaret Munro	or in January
Child Safe Duty Officer N/A	
Singer Annette Munro	
Sound desk David Munro	
Power Point Ben Matthews	
Video Operator Nick Bodley	
Elders Graham Nottle & Wendy Evans	Flower roster Silk
Baptism -	
Comm Prep -	Morning Tea
Announcements Debbie Bodley	Pop—Up
Welcomers Mary Patterson	
Stewards Alison Pound & Diana Marshall	

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Finding joy amidst the drought

By supporting the Christmas Bowl, you are helping mothers in Zimbabwe to become conservation farmers, support their children and harvest joy during their toughest seasons. **Please give today.**

CALL: 1800 025 101
VISIT: actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl

The Christmas appeal of Act for Peace, the international aid agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. ABN 86 619 970 188

Calendars for \$35.00 and also Greeting Cards /envelopes \$2 each or 6 for \$10

Photos of the cards are on the window of the office for you to view. Order&pay at office.
A Great Christmas Gift while helping others.

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BANK: ANZ BSB: 014 010 A/C No: 286290487 Any questions, please contact :
Treasurer Kendall Yates Ph: 3359 0975 or
Assistant Treasurer Jenny Snelling Ph: 0414 806 626

DAILY READINGS & PRAYERS

Readings from: *With Love to the World, a daily Bible reading guide based on the Revised Common Lectionary.*

We hope they will become part of your rhythm of your devotion to God. Passages to be read in Uniting Churches on the coming Sunday are marked with an asterisk*

December 17th

Reading: Revelation 20:11-21:5

Lord God of the beginning and the end, help me to celebrate the work that you have already done in my life, and the work that you have yet to finish.

December 18th

Reading: Jeremiah 23:5-8

Faithful God, when the world around me seems so full of pain, give me the eyes of the prophet to see the future you are creating.

December 19th

Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10*

Ever renewing god, thank you for leading your people into the new life that is your gift of grace in Jesus Christ.

December 20th

Reading: Micah 5:2-5a*

Prince of opeace, speak to me again through the works of your prophets; give me confidence in your promise of peace and security.

December 21st

Reading: Luke 1:39-45 (39-45, (46-55)*)

God of all, as Elizabeth recognized her Lord in an unborn child, help me to recognize you, even when you come to me in unexpected ways.

December 22nd

Reading: Luke 1:46-55*

God of the upside down, help me to praise you for your justice even when I fear it might threaten my privilege.

December 23rd

Reading: Psalm 80:1-7 (alt*)

In your prayers remember the lands and people of Japan, North Korea, south Korea and Taiwan.

For Stafford churches Together Cycle of prayer, please pray for the clergy and people of St Clement's.